

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action dated June 16, 2009, Applicants have amended claim 3 to overcome the new matter rejections, and cancelled claims 19-29 and 32-33, without prejudice. No new matter has been added.

Applicants appreciate the indication of allowable subject matter recited in claims 1 and 4-10.

Claims 19-20 and 32-33 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Yamada et al. (USP No. 6,441,502). As claims 19-29 and 32-33 have been cancelled, this rejection is now moot. Therefore, as all currently pending claims have been indicated to be allowable and as all rejected claims have been either amended to overcome the rejection (claim 3) or cancelled, Applicants submit that all claims are now allowable over the cited prior art. Furthermore, Applicants respectfully request the rejoinder of claims 4-10, which were withdrawn, but indicated to be allowable.

Having fully responded to all matters raised in the Office Action, Applicants submit that all claims are in condition for allowance, an indication of which is respectfully solicited.

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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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